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Interview Summary

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview: 17 February 2009.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☒ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: ____.

Claim(s) discussed: independent.

Identification of prior art discussed: Smits, Alfemess.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant clarified that most of the electric field, during defibrillation, is confined to the heart tissue, in contrast to the teachings of the prior art applied. Applicant will submit a further amendment clarifying invention from prior art.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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